

***The Messenger***  
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PHOTO OF THE WEEK: *Anne Trent and Barbara Langford store supplies from Sunday's communion in the Sacristy on Sunday. Our altar guild does much work behind the scenes each month to prepare for and clean up after Communion!*

*On Sunday, September 17 during the Sunday school hour, the Hospitality, Outreach, and Welcome committee will be hosting a gratitude breakfast in Parish Hall for all of our altar guild, ushers, greeters, acolytes and others who support our worship each Sunday! Thank you to all who serve in this important way as we worship.*

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## ***Worship Opportunities***

**Sunday, September 10**  
*Fifteenth Sunday After Pentecost*

**Rev. Tim Best**  
Exodus 12:1-14

**8:30 & 11 am at 900 Henley Street**  
&

**Rejoice! at 11 am on YouTube**  
[www.YouTube.com/ChurchStreetUMC](http://www.YouTube.com/ChurchStreetUMC)

### **Music**

Go Down Moses, Trad. Spiritual, arr. Mark Hayes  
*Parish Youth Choir (8:30 am, nave & 11 am, online)*

Cantique de Jean Racine, Gabriel Faure, ed. James Rogers  
*Parish Adult Choir (11 am, nave)*

***Lectionary Readings for this week:***

Exodus 12:1-14, Ezekiel 33:7-11, Romans 13:8-14, Matthew 18:15-20

***Master Arts Series Returns!***

Join the Church Street's music program for another wonderful year of beautiful music! You should have received your Master Arts Series booklet in the mail this week. You can also flip through it any time at [www.churchstreetumc.org/master-arts](http://www.churchstreetumc.org/master-arts) or pick one up around the church. We hope you will join us for our first concert on Tuesday, September 12 at 7 pm in the nave (see image below for details).



**MARKO  
PETRIČIĆ**  
**ORGAN & BAYAN**

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12  
7:00 PM**

As an accomplished organ and bayan-accordion performer, **Marko Petričić** has won top prizes at international and national competitions in Italy, Germany, Yugoslavia, and the United States. He has presented recitals and master classes at Shanghai Normal University in China, University of Toronto, Canada, and University of Belgrade, Serbia, and has produced two CD recordings, *French Accent* (organ), and *The Years of Pilgrimage* (bayan).

This concert will feature organ music by J. S. Bach, Petr Eben, Sigfrid Karg-Elert, Peter Conte, Jean-Adam Guilain, and Max Reger, as well as bayan works by J. S. Bach, Vaclav Trojan, Vladislav Semyonov, and Albin Repnikov.

***United Women in Faith Summer Happenings***

**UWF Officers Needed!**

United Women in Faith at Church Street are currently seeking officers (to begin in 2024) for several positions including: Secretary and Membership. If you are interested in serving in these roles, please email Caroline Lamar at [carolinemlamar@gmail.com](mailto:carolinemlamar@gmail.com) for more information.



United  
Women  
in Faith

## *United Women in Faith General Meeting*

### **Welcoming Tami Phillips from Family Promise!**

She will share more about how Family Promise helps families experiencing homelessness.

**Tuesday, September 12 at 11 am  
Parish Hall**

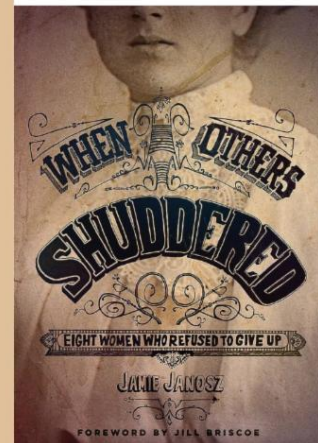


## *United Women in Faith September Book Review*

### **When Others Shuddered: Eight Women Who Refused to Give Up**

Susan Dominick will present this work by author  
Jamie Janosz.

**Wednesday, September 20 at 1:30 pm  
Chiles Room**



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## *Educational Opportunities this September*

**Open Door Class to Welcome Crissy Haslam this Sunday:** On September 10, the Open Door Sunday school class will welcome Former TN First Lady Crissy Haslam to speak about the book her husband, TN Gov. Bill Haslam, wrote: *Faithful Presence: The Promise and Peril of Faith in the Public Square*. Everyone is welcome to gather at 9:30 am in Parish Hall.



# QUESTIONS JESUS ASKED

**On Zoom:** Mondays  
10 am, starting 9/11  
&

**In-Person (Chiles  
Room):** Wednesdays  
7 pm, starting 9/13

Links to register at  
[churchstreetumc.org/education](http://churchstreetumc.org/education)

**LED BY REVS. NANCE & BEST**

## Questions JESUS ASKED



*A SIX-WEEK STUDY IN THE GOSPELS*

MAGREY R.  
DEVEGA

Join Revs. Nance and Best this fall for **Questions Jesus Asked**, a six-part study by Magrey deVega. The study will be offered two times, *beginning next week*:

- On Zoom -- Mondays at 10 am.
  - In Person -- Wednesdays at 7 pm in the Chiles Room.
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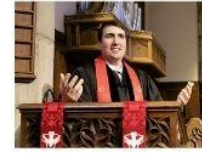


## Church & Society Engaging the World through Faith

Learn about the Christian faith's engagement in issues of social concern in this two-part series.

### Sunday, September 24, 4 pm:

Rev. Tim Best and Rev. Dr. Joe Reiff (Professor Emeritus of Religion at Emory & Henry and Retired UMC Clergy) will present the church's role through a historical and theological lens.



### Sunday, October 1, 4 pm:

We focus on an exploration of the United Methodist Social Principles: what they are, their role in our lives as Christians, and how they inform the church's role in addressing our contemporary social problems. Led by CSUMC members Katie Trueblood and Matt Mobley.



**Free. Meets in CLC-120**

To learn more and register for any of our September educational opportunities, please visit [www.churchstreetumc.org/education](http://www.churchstreetumc.org/education) or call the church office for assistance.

## Write an Advent Devotion

Share your Advent or holiday story with fellow Church Streeters! Devotions should be no more than 250 words and include:

**Title | Bible Verse | Prayer**

Illustrations and reflections on Advent hymns or music also welcome!

*Deadline* **Sept. 29**

Join fellow Church Streeters in sharing an Advent devotion with our congregation this holiday season! The Advent booklets share one devotion each day of Advent and a morning and evening devotion each Sunday of Advent and Christmas Day. These short devotions may be a story, holiday memory, reflection on an Advent theme of peace, waiting, Christ's birth, etc. Illustrations and reflections on Advent music or hymns are also welcome!

Each devotion should

- be 250 words or less &
- include a title, relevant bible verse and a brief prayer.

Send your devotion **no later than September 29** by email to [communications@churchstreetumc.org](mailto:communications@churchstreetumc.org). (Illustrations may be dropped off at the church office or mailed to Katie Strangis at the church.)

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## Calendar

*If you would like a link to one of the following Zoom meetings, or if your group would like to set up a Zoom meeting, please contact Kate Spencer at [kspencer@churchstreetumc.org](mailto:kspencer@churchstreetumc.org) or 865-521-0268, she will help set you up on the church account!*

### Ongoing Worship, Sunday School, Children, Youth & Music Meetings

**Worship:** Sunday, 8:30 & 11 am, Nave; *Rejoice!* on YouTube at 11 am

**Sunday School Classes** meeting In-Person, at 9:40 am Sundays:

- **Cattywampus** - CLC 123
- **Covenant** - 309-E
- **Crossroads** - 201-A
- **Discovery** - CLC 124
- **Epworth** - CLC 120
- **Friends in Christ** - off until 9/10
- **Followers** - room 310
- **Murphy Builders / Pathfinders** - 204
- **Parables** - 118
- **Potter's Wheel** - Chiles Room
- **Seekers** - 201-C
- **Youth** - CLC
- **Children** - Education building second and third floors

**Sunday School Classes Meeting in person and online (hybrid)** currently, at 9:40 am on Sundays:

- **Open Door** - Parish Hall
- **Partners** - Parlor

**Youth Choir:** Sundays, 3:45 pm, Rehearsal Room

**CS Kids Programming:** Sundays, 3:45 pm, Gym

**Children's Choir Dinner & Rehearsal:** Sundays, 4:45 pm, Parish Hall & Rehearsal Room

**Youth NightLife & Dinner:** Sundays, 5 pm, CLC Lower Level

**Master Arts Series Concert:** Tuesday, 7 pm, Nave

**Parish Adult Choir Rehearsal:** Wednesdays, 6:30

### Upcoming Meetings & Events

**Coffee with the Pastors:** Sunday, 9:50 am, Chapel

**Stephen Ministry:** Sunday, 12:15 pm, 201A

**Questions Jesus Asked:** Mondays, 10 am, Zoom

**Singles Bridge:** Mondays, 6 pm, 201C

**UWF Circle 10:** Tuesday, 10 am, 204

**UWF General Meeting & Lunch:** Tuesday, 11 am, Parish Hall

**Records & History Committee:** Tuesday, 5 pm, 201C

**Sterchi Lodge Committee:** Tuesday, 6 pm, 201A

**Questions Jesus Asked:** Wednesdays, 7 pm, Chiles Room

**Soup Kitchen:** Thursdays, 11 am, Parish Hall

**Line Dance Lessons:**

pm, Rehearsal Room

**Youth Band:** Wednesdays, 7 pm, Lower CLC

**Family Retreat for 1st through 3rd graders :**  
Friday - Sunday, Sterchi Lodge

Thursdays, 6:30 pm, Gym

**Lydia Circle #1:** Friday,  
1:30 pm, Chiles Room

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### ***Our Presence***

**September 3 - 460 Total**

**Online Worship - 107**

**In-Person Worship - 353**

*8:30 am - 150*

*11 am - 185*

*Nursery - 18*

**September 7 Soup Kitchen - 18 volunteers, 113 meals**

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### ***Our Gifts***

#### ***Memorials***

**Marie Brabson**

*UWF: Donna Schroeder, Len & Pat Bellingrath, Bill & Jo Terry*

**Wanda Craig**

*Music Ministry: Bill & Jo Terry*

**Judy Grissom**

*Children's Ministry: Bill & Jo Terry*

**Bob Paulson**

*Master Arts Series: Barb Paulson*

**Doug Spencer**

*Stephen Ministry: Donna Schroeder, Rick & Audrey Carroll, Jeff Johnson, Bill & Jo Terry*

**John Sterchi**

*Memorial Fund: Len & Pat Bellingrath, Bill & Jo Terry*

#### ***Honorariums***

**Barna & Mary Ann Gibson**

*Music Ministry: Dona Bunch*

**Rev. Catherine Nance**

*Pastors' Discretionary Fund: Donna Schroeder*

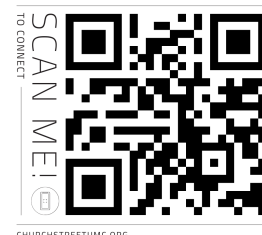
#### ***Altar Flowers***

The Chancel Altar Flowers are given in loving memory of Charles & Ellie Radar by their children & grandchildren.

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#### ***All are welcome at Church Street !***

*We believe every person is of sacred worth and created in God's image. We welcome and celebrate the gifts God has given to all persons without regard to race, color, national origin, ethnicity, age, gender, disability, status, economic condition, sexual orientation, gender identity, or religious affiliation. We respect diversity of opinion and expressions of Christian faith. We believe God loves everyone unconditionally! As God loves us, so let us love and serve in the name of Christ.*



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